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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT B UNDER RULE 116

Dear Sir:

Supplementing Amendment B previously filed, please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 16 and 18, to read as follows:

1. (Thrice Amended) A circular-shaped hollow metal structure fabricated by spinning working and having a thickness equal to or smaller than 0.09 mm, wherein a reduction rate of a thickness of said circular-shaped hollow metal structure after spinning worked to a thickness of said circular-shaped hollow metal structure before spinning worked is equal to or greater than 40%, said circular-shaped metal structure having a Vickers hardness Hv equal to or greater than 380 after spinning worked.

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